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In re Application of: Bell *et al.*

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 30, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and entry of this Amendment. This Amendment is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time and the necessary fees.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.